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### **CLAUDE HARRELL NAMED REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF NLRB'S REGION 14, ST. LOUIS AND PEORIA**

National Labor Relations Board Chairman Wilma B. Liebman and General Counsel Ronald Meisburg are pleased to announce the appointment of Claude (Chip) Harrell as Regional Director in Region 14 (St. Louis and its sub-regional office in Peoria), effective February 28. A career employee who most recently served as Assistant to the Regional Director in Region 10 (Atlanta), Mr. Harrell succeeds Ralph Tremain, who recently retired. Mr. Harrell began his career as a field examiner in Region 9 (Cincinnati) in 1976. He was promoted to Supervisory Examiner in 1992, and moved to the Atlanta office in 2003.

The NLRB administers and enforces the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA). It conducts secret-ballot elections to determine whether employees desire union representation and investigates and remedies unfair labor practices. As Regional Director, Mr. Harrell will supervise the processing of representation and unfair labor practice cases filed under the NLRA in the states of Missouri and portions of Illinois and Iowa.

NLRB General Counsel Meisburg said of the appointment:

Chip Harrell is an excellent manager who brings considerable expertise to his position as Regional Director in St. Louis. During his years of service with the Agency, Chip has acquired a well deserved reputation for balanced case analysis, efficient management, and a deep appreciation and understanding of Agency practices and the law. His strong commitment to addressing the needs of the public will serve him well as he continues the tradition of excellence in Region 14.

Mr. Harrell graduated with distinction from the University of Arizona in 1976, with a degree in Public Administration. During the course of his career with the NLRB, he has been involved in numerous complex and difficult cases. He has served on national committees affecting Agency policies and procedures including the Representation Case committee which substantially revised both pre- and post-election procedures, and the Field Quality Committee, which effectuates one of the General Counsel's principal goals - to maintain the highest quality of unfair labor practice and representation case handling procedures.

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